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118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. GARBARINO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Metastatic Breast Can-  
5       cer Access to Care Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF WAITING PERIOD FOR INDIVID-**  
2 **UALS WITH METASTATIC BREAST CANCER.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 223(a) of the Social Secu-  
4 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 423(a)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1), in the matter following  
6 subparagraph (E), by inserting “or metastatic  
7 breast cancer” after “amyotrophic lateral sclerosis”;  
8 and

9 (2) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting “or (iii)”  
10 after “clause (ii)”.

11 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
12 this section shall apply with respect to applications for dis-  
13 ability insurance benefits filed after the date of the enact-  
14 ment of this Act.

15 **SEC. 3. WAIVER OF 24-MONTH WAITING PERIOD FOR MEDI-**  
16 **CARE COVERAGE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH**  
17 **METASTATIC BREAST CANCER.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 226(h) of the Social Secu-  
19 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 426(h)) is amended by inserting “or  
20 metastatic breast cancer” after “amyotrophic lateral sele-  
21 rosis (ALS)”.

22 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
23 this section shall apply to benefits for months beginning  
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act.